Graduate Class IV Employment in Railway Canteens in Parliament Complex

1007. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Graduate and 10+2 class IV employees are working in the Railway Canteens in Parliament complex since 1984, and even before that;

(b) whether such employees have not been promoted even after rendering service for nearly two decades;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the number of graduate and 10+2 waiters working in Railway canteens in Parliament Complex at a particular post for the last 15-16 years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Promotion norms are based on seniority cum suitability and not on educational qualification alone. Thirty nine staff who have completed 12 years of regular service in Group 'D' in Parliament House Catering Complex have been given higher grade.

(d) Graduate-one
10+2- nil.

Phasing out of Subsidies on Rail Passenger Traffic

1008. SHRI K.B. KRISHNAMURTHY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to seriously implement the recommendations of Rakesh Mohan Committee on railway restructuring;

(b) whether that Committee has sought phasing out of subsidies on passenger traffic, to ensure a better freight passenger fare ratio;

(c) whether the cross subsidy from freight to passenger traffic